

RIPARIAN HEALTH DISTRICT OF BRIXHAM



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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This Report is based on the instructions of the Ministry of Health contained in Circulars 33/52 and 16/55, and follows the arrangement detailed in Form Port 20.

SECTION I - STAFF

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NO CHANGE.

SECTION II - AMOUNT OF SHIPPING ENTERING

THE DISTRICT DURING THE YEAR

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Ships from	Number	Tonnage (Nett)	By the Medical Officer of Health	Public Health	ships reported as having had during the voyage, infectious disease on board
Foreign Ports	423	70,457	3	1	0
Coastwise	786	155,017	1	C)	0
TOTAL	1,209	225,474	4	1	0

These figures do not include Liners calling for Pilots, as these Liners do not encroach on the Harbour Limits.

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SECTION III - CHARACTER OF SHIPPING AND

TRADE DURING THE YEAR

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Passenger Traffic	(Number of Passengers INWARDS - Nil. (Number of Passengers OUTWARDS - Nil.		
Cargo Traffic	(Principal IMPORTS - Diesel Oil (Principal EXPORTS - Oil, Limestone		
Principal Ports from which ships arrived in 1961: Casablanca, Antwerp, Dunkirk, St. Malo, Sydney, Far Eastern Ports, Mediterranean Ports.			

SECTION IV - INLAND BARGE TRAFFIC

There is no inland barge traffic in the area.

SECTION V - WATER SUPPLY

NO CHANGE.

SECTION VI - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHIPS)

REGULATIONS, 1952

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SECTION VII - SMALLPOX

(1) Name of Isolation Hospital to which Smallpox cases are sent from the District.

Upton Pyne Smallpox Hospital, Nr. Exeter. Telephone: Stoke Cannon 207.

(2) Arrangements for transport of such cases to that hosiptal by ambulance, giving the name of the Authority responsible for the ambulance and the vaccinal state of the crews.

Arrangements are made by telephone message to the Resident Physician at Whipton Isolation Hospital, Exeter (Telephone: Exeter 67158). The vehicle is supplied by Exeter City Health Department, and is staffed by the hospital. All members of the crew are vaccinated regularly.

(3) Names of Smallpox Consultants available.

The Consultants are:-

Dr. J. Macrae, Ham Green Isolation Hospital, Ham Green, Bristol. Telephone: Bristol 31165.

Dr. W.A. Lister, 10, The Crescent, Plymouth. Telephone: Plymouth 5701.

(4) Facilities for Laboratory diagnosis of Smallpox.

Specimens are sent to the Central Public Health Laboratory, (Virus Reference), Colindale, Hendon, London, N.W.4.

SECTION VIII - VENEREAL DISEASE

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SECTION IX - CASES OF NOTIFIABLE AND

OTHER INFECTIOUS DISEASES ON SHIPS

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Category	Disease	No. of cases the years	ear	No. of ships concerned
Cases landed from ships from foreign ports.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases which have occurred on ships from foreign port but have been disposed of before arrival.	s Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cases landed from other ports.	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil

A short account should be given of the measures taken on the arrival by ship of (a) any case of smallpox, cholera, plague, yellow fever, typhus, or relapsing fever included in Table D; (b) any suspected case of any such disease.

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SECTION X - OBSERVATIONS OF THE OCCURRENCE

OF MALARIA IN SHIPS

NIL.

SECTION XI - MEASURES TAKEN AGAINST SHIPS

INFECTED OR SUSPECTED FOR PLAGUE

NIL.

SECTION XII - MEASURES AGAINST RODENTS IN SHIPS

FROM FOREIGN PORTS

(1) Procedure for inspection of ships for rats.

The Public Health Inspector makes enquiries of masters of ships as to the presence of, or undue mortality among rats. He also inspects ships, quays, wharves and stores at regular intervals for signs of the presence of rats.

(2) Arrangements for the Bacteriological or Pathological examination of rodents with special reference to rodent plague, including the number of rodents sent for examination during the year.

These examinations are carried out by the Public Health Laboratory Service, Bradninch Place, Gandy Street, Exeter. No rodents were sent for examination.

(3) Arrangements in the District for de-ratting ships, the methods used, and, if done by a commercial contractor, the name of the contractor.

Arrangements are made for this service to be carried out at Plymouth.

(4) Progress in the rat-proofing of ships.

This has not been required owing to the limited nature of shipping entering the port.



TABLE E

Rodents destroyed during the year in ships from foreign ports.

Category	Number
Black rats	Nil
Brown rats	Nil
Species not known	Nil
Sent for examination	Nil
Infected with plague	Nil

TABLE F

Deratting Certificates and Deratting Exemption Certificates issued during the year for ships from foreign ports.

Brixham is not an approved port under Article 52 of the International Sanitary Regulations.

SECTION XIII - INSPECTION OF SHIPS FOR NUISANCES

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Inspections and Notices

Nature and number of			Notices		Served		Result of
inspection			Statutory	Notices	Other	Notices	serving Notices
General		Nil	-	-		-	
TOTAL		Nil					

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SECTION XIV - PUBLIC HEALTH (SHELLFISH)

REGULATIONS, 1934 AND 1948

NO CHANGE.

SECTION XV - MEDICAL INSPECTION OF ALIENS

(Applicable only to ports approved for the landing of aliens).

NO CHANGE.

SECTION XVI - MISCELLANEOUS

Cases of illness treated aboard ship or ashore

Two cases required treatment on board ship:

Nationality	Type of illness or injury
German (1)	Cellulitis of Thigh
Polish (1)	Coryza

In February, 1961, a radiotelegram was received stating that a Goanese seaman aboard a liner calling at Brixham for a London Pilot had a macular rash suspected of being Smallpox. Laboratory tests carried out on medical specimer landed at Brixham and sent by special messenger to the Central Public Health Laboratory at Colindale, London, proved negative to smallpox. Medical Officer from the Port of London Health Authority boarded the liner at Brixham and the Ship's Surgeon had arranged vaccination and re-vaccination or passengers and crew. Purely as a precaution no mail from this liner was landed at Brixham and the crew of the Pilot Cutter were re-vaccinated beforehand.

I wish to express my thanks to the Public Health Inspector for his assistance, and to the Officers of H.M. Customs, the Harbour Master and the local shipping agents for their co-operation in compiling this report.

JOHN WILDMAN

29th March, 1962.

Medical Officer of Health

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